

Spring at the Lockhart Family Nature Center

Lake Forest Open Lands' Calendar of Exciting Events for Children, Families, and Adults...

SEASONAL



Nature Birthday Parties

Celebrate your child's next birthday with an outdoor adventure! The party begins with an hour of instructor-led outdoor exploration and activities. Includes a half hour room rental and refreshments of your choice.

Contact Karen Lewis,
847.482.1928 x 3

Suggested for Children K-5th Grade

Members: \$175

Non-members: \$245

APRIL



4/14 - 5/19

Little Trekkers

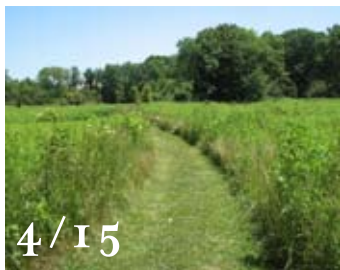
Mondays, April 14 - May 19
1 - 3:00 p.m.

Little Trekkers set out on a new adventure each week in search of tadpoles, butterflies and other animal residents at Melody Farm Nature Preserve. This class is for the curious child who enjoys exploring, getting muddy and making discoveries.

Children ages 4 and 5

Members: \$125

Non-members: \$175



4/15

Adult Natural History Woodcock Romance

Tuesday, April 15th

6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Shaw Prairie

Long regarded as a harbinger of spring, the wild, euphoric flight of the male woodcock takes place in the romantic fading light of dusk on cool spring evenings. Discover the life cycle and natural history of the woodcock as we hike out to one of the best sites to view the incredible courtship display.

Members: \$10

Non-members: \$14



4/19 - 5/17

Parent and Tot Nature Explorers

Saturdays, April 19 - May 17
9 - 10:00 a.m.

Discover the wonders of the natural world with your child. Through role playing and exploration we will learn about the hidden workings of a beehive, search for tadpoles and make our own dirt with earthworms.

Children ages 3 and 4 with one adult

Members: \$80

Non-members: \$108

Spring Volunteer Workdays

Join us from 9 a.m. to 12 noon for Saturday morning volunteer workdays. Connect with the land while learning about the natural world. Wear appropriate clothing and footwear. We provide work gloves.

- SATURDAY, APRIL 5TH - MELODY FARM NATURE PRESERVE
- SATURDAY, APRIL 26TH - MELODY FARM NATURE PRESERVE (EARTH DAY CELEBRATION)
- SATURDAY, MAY 3RD - MELODY FARM NATURE PRESERVE
Melody Farm Nature Preserve is located on the southwest corner of Deerpath and Waukegan Roads.
- SATURDAY, MAY 10TH - SKOKIE RIVER NATURE PRESERVE (RIVER DAY)

Skokie River Nature Preserve parking and trail access is located at the west end of Laurel Avenue, west of Green Bay Road.

Groups interested in scheduling a personalized volunteer workday should contact Jill London at jlondon@lfola.org.



4/22 - 5/27

After School Adventures

Tuesdays, April 22 - May 27
4 - 5:30 p.m.

Explore local habitats and the plants and animals that call them home. Our adventures will take us to the prairie, savanna, forest, wetlands and more for hands on exploration and investigation.

Children in 1st and 2nd grade

Members: \$100

Non-members: \$139



4/22 - 5/13

After School Explorers

Tuesdays, April 22 - May 13
4 - 6:00 p.m.

Special Overnight

Friday, May 16

Explore a different preserve each week, by foot, bike and boat with an emphasis on adventure. Learn basic orienteering skills, fire building and tracking.

Children in 3rd and 4th grade

Members: \$145

Non-members: \$175

Member registration begins March 17th
Non-member registration begins March 24th

Call 847.482.1928 to register or visit www.lfola.org

All programs meet at the Lockhart Family Nature Center,
350 N. Waukegan Road, unless otherwise noted.

Enroll in Lake Forest Open Lands' Spring Classes

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APRIL CONT.



Family Campfire: Frogs

Friday, April 25th
7 - 8:15 p.m.

The ponds are vibrating with the calls of frogs and toads. Learn how to identify the vocalizations of several local amphibians. Search at the wetland's edge for frogs and then gather around an outdoor fire for stories and refreshments.

Members: \$8 per person
Non-members: \$11 per person



Earth Day Prairie Celebration

Saturday, April 26th
9 a.m. - noon

Celebrate Earth Day at Mellody Farm Nature Preserve and join us for our fifth annual prairie restoration planting. Thanks to Open Lands Associate Board and a generous donation from R.E.I. we are transforming an old agricultural field back to native prairie. This is a wonderful activity for families and scouts.

Members: Free
Non-members: Free

MAY



Adult Natural History Native Landscaping Workshop

Saturday, May 3rd
10 - 11:30 a.m.

Join John Mariani of Mariani Landscape as he discusses his passion for native landscape design. Case studies from his business will be discussed as well as his personal experience restoring a Wisconsin farm.

Members: \$10
Non-members: \$14

JUNE/JULY



Wetland Safari

Saturday, June 7th
10 - 11:30 a.m.

Moms and sons of all ages are invited to explore the wetlands. Hunt and catch frogs, toads, salamanders and tadpoles and net for dragonfly nymphs and whirligig beetles. Dress to get wet and muddy.

Members: \$8 per person
Non-members: \$12 per person

Adult Natural History Bees as Pollinators

Friday, June 13th
10 - 11:30 a.m.

Learn about the domestic honeybee and its wild cousin, the native bee. Compare natural history and understand recent population decline. Peer into an actual working hive and taste a little local honey.

Members: \$20 per person
Non-members: \$30 per person

Bees and Butterflies

Saturday, July 12th
10 - 11:30 a.m.
Shaw Prairie

Dads and daughters of all ages will enjoy learning about the lives of our favorite pollinating partners. Use your imagination for role playing and art projects.

Members: \$8 per person
Non-members: \$12 per person



It's Dog Day!

Saturday, June 7th
Deer Path Middle School
9 a.m. - 12 noon

To register your dog (\$10/dog in advance, \$15/dog day of the event) please call:

847.234.3880, x10



Adult Natural History Spring Woodland Wildflower Walk

Saturday, May 17th
9 - 10:30 a.m.

McCormick Ravine harbors an incredible diversity of beautiful springtime ephemerals. Join us for a relaxing walk to see these flowers in the peak of their bloom. Learn a bit about the natural history of these woodland wonders.

Members: \$10
Non-members: \$14